



Welcome to
Orchardhill Church
Giffnock

Sunday 12 May
Fourth Sunday of Easter

Welcome to Orchardhill where we're delighted to welcome Giorgio and Claire, their families and friends as their infant daughter Amy is baptised. Whether you are a regular worshipper, a returning friend, visiting with us or listening online, we are glad that you are part of this community of faith.

The Office

The Church Office re-opens on Tuesday 14 May.

Forthcoming Events

Wednesday 15 May at 1.30pm-3.30pm
Illustrated talk - Art Treasures of Florence' (donation)

Friday 17 May at 7.00pm - Spring Fling tickets £8.00 Please let Shona Cook know ASAP if you are coming for catering purposes.

Orchard Café

We look forward to the visit from Giffnock School choir to entertain café guests on Tuesday 14 May at about 11am. Let's encourage our local young people by coming that day.

Our last day will be Tuesday the 11 June and of course we finish with our delicious Strawberry Tea. We suggest you make a note NOW

Generation Story

As part of our inter-generational project with Giffnock Primary School the children in the school choir will be singing at **The Orchard Café** on Tuesday 14 May between 11am and 12 noon. Please come along to encourage them and enjoy some entertainment.

General Assembly 18 - 24 May

To follow the debates and other proceedings, there will be a summary provided by Lawrence Wareing in audio, video and PDF formats on the Church of Scotland website -

https://www.churchofscotland.org.uk/about_us/general_assembly

Choir

The Choir invite you to an evening of music on Wednesday 5 June at 7.45pm – this will start following the quiet time service.

A mixture of music awaits you with refreshments and home baking served. No admittance charge but a retiring collection will be taken for Church Funds.

Christian Aid

We invite you to enjoy a soup and a sandwich lunch on Sunday 19 May after morning worship, to raise funds for Christian Aid.

Red Christian Aid envelopes will be available in the seat rack in the church and also at the lunch that Sunday. Please gift aid your offering. Could Christian Aid volunteers who are willing to make sandwiches for the lunch on the 19th, email Ian or David accordingly. We will provide the bread and fillings to you .

Everyone's invited to an evening of worship led by Amanda Mukwashi, the new CEO of Christian Aid. It's a unique chance to hear directly from Christian Aid's CEO about the transformational work of CA's global partners at the start of Christian Aid Week. Next Sunday, 12 May at 6:30pm in Shawlands Trinity Church, Shawlands Cross. Email glasgow@christian-aid.org if you plan to go.

To have something included on this sheet, please email secretary@orchardhill.org.uk by Thursday at 10.00am. Discover more at <https://www.orchardhill.org.uk/>

Lord of all hopefulness, Lord of all joy,
whose trust, ever child like, no cares could
destroy,
be there at our waking, and give us, we pray,
your peace in our hearts, Lord, at the break
of day.

Lord of all eagerness, Lord of all faith,
whose strong hands were skilled at the plane
and the lathe,
be there at our labours, and give us, we pray,
your strength in our hearts, Lord, at the
noon of the day.

Lord of all kindness, Lord of all grace,
your hands swift to welcome, your arms to
embrace,
be there at our homing, and give us, we
pray,
your love in our hearts, Lord, at the eve of
the day.

Lord of all gentleness, Lord of all calm,
whose voice is contentment, whose
presence is balm,
be there at our sleeping, and give us, we
pray,
your peace in our hearts, Lord, at the end of
the day.

Jan Struther (1901-1953) ccli licence 20979

Make me a channel of your peace.
*Where there is hatred let me bring your
love;
where there is injury, your pardon, Lord;
and where there's doubt, true faith in you.*

Oh, Master, grant that I may never seek
so much to be consoled as to console;
to be understood as to understand;
to be loved as to love with all my soul.

Make me a channel of your peace.
Where there's despair in life let me bring
hope;
where there is darkness, only light;
and where there's sadness, ever joy.

Make me a channel of your peace.
It is in pardoning that we are pardoned,
in giving to all men that we receive,
and in dying that we're born to eternal life.

No refrain.

Sebastian Temple, based on St Francis of Assisi ccli licence 20979

Blest be the everlasting God,
the Father of our Lord!
Be his abounding mercy praised,
his majesty adored!

When from the dead he raised his Son,
and called him to the sky,
He gave our souls a lively hope
that they should never die.

To an inheritance divine
he taught our hearts to rise;
'tis uncorrupted, undefiled,
unfading in the skies.

Saints by the power of God are kept,
till the salvation come:
we walk by faith as strangers here
but Christ shall call us home.

Scottish paraphrases: 1 Peter ccli licence 20979

We stand upon God's promises
to us and to our children, too;
we trust the suffering Christ who died
and lives to cleanse and make us new.

*We are the children of the Lord,
God's family, through Christ the Son.
We welcome you, and pledge, in love,
to serve our Saviour, Christ, as one;
to serve our Saviour, Christ, as one.*

Although you're yet too young to know
all this, we still believe it's true:
the Lord who reigns at God's right hand
calls your name, saying, 'I'm for you.'
God hears us make our promises
to show, in our lives, Jesus' way.
As we share hope and life and faith
we trust you'll own them too, some day.

Grant Barclay ccli licence 20979

The Lord bless you and keep you;
the Lord make his face to shine upon you
and be gracious to you;
The Lord lift up his countenance upon you,
and give you peace.

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Scripture Acts 16:22-34

The crowd joined in the attack against Paul and Silas, and the magistrates ordered them to be stripped and beaten with rods. After they had been severely flogged, they were thrown into prison, and the jailer was commanded to guard them carefully. When he received these orders, he put them in the inner cell and fastened their feet in the stocks.

About midnight Paul and Silas were praying and singing hymns to God, and the other prisoners were listening to them. Suddenly there was such a violent earthquake that the foundations of the prison were shaken. At once all the prison doors flew open, and everyone's chains came loose. The jailer woke up, and when he saw the prison doors open, he drew his sword and was about to kill himself because he thought the prisoners had escaped. But Paul shouted, 'Don't harm yourself! We are all here!'

The jailer called for lights, rushed in and fell trembling before Paul and Silas. He then brought them out and asked, 'Sirs, what must I do to be saved?'

They replied, 'Believe in the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved – you and your household.' Then they spoke the word of the Lord to him and to all the others in his house. At that hour of the night the jailer took them and washed their wounds; then immediately he and all his household were baptised. The jailer brought them into his house and set a meal before them; he was filled with joy because he had come to believe in God – he and his whole household.

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More coherent, written versions of the sermons preached by Grant Barclay are at grantbarclay.wordpress.com